



BIOGRAPHY

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COLONEL MATTHEW P. DONOVAN



Colonel Matthew P. Donovan is commander, Officer Training School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala. He is responsible to the commander of Air Force Officer Accession and Training Schools for commissioning and training approximately 2,000 officers yearly. OTS commissions line officers through its Basic Officer Training program and provides initial officership training for newly commissioned chaplains, health professionals, and judge advocates through its Commissioned Officer Training program.

Colonel Donovan enlisted in the Air Force in 1977 and received his commission through the Air Force Officer Training School in January 1982.

Colonel Donovan has commanded a fighter squadron, held a variety of operational flying and staff assignments at the wing, major command, and joint and combined staff levels, and was an Air Combat Command F-15 demonstration pilot. Colonel Donovan is a graduate of the Air Force School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, and the Army Advanced Operational Art Studies Fellowship. He is a command pilot with more than 2,900 flying hours, primarily in fighter aircraft.

EDUCATION:

1981 Bachelor of science in technical management, Regis University, Denver, Colo.
1986 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
1995 Master's in management, Webster University, St. Louis, Mo.
1997 Air Command and Staff College (distinguished graduate), Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
1998 Master's in Airpower Art and Science, School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
2004 Master's in Military Art and Science, Army Advanced Operational Art Studies Fellowship, School of Advanced Military Studies, Ft. Leavenworth, Kan.

ASSIGNMENTS:

1. January 1982 - January 1983, undergraduate pilot training, Vance Air Force Base, Okla.
2. January 1983 - May 1983, Lead-In Fighter Training course, Holloman Air Force Base, N.M.
3. May 1983 - September 1983, F-15A Basic Operational Course, Luke Air Force Base, Ariz.
4. September 1983 - July 1986, F-15A aircraft commander and life support officer, later, deputy chief, F-15 current operations, 7th Tactical Fighter Squadron, 49th Tactical Fighter Wing, Holloman Air Force Base, N.M.

5. July 1986 - October 1986, student, Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
6. October 1986 - July 1988, Aggressor F-5E instructor pilot, 65th Aggressor Squadron, Nellis Air Force Base, Nev.
7. October 1988 - October 1989, assistant chief of F-15C weapons and tactics, later, chief of operations plans, 57th Fighter Interceptor Squadron, Naval Air Station Keflavik, Iceland
8. October 1989 - November 1991, F-15C instructor pilot and flight commander, later, wing standardization and evaluation flight examiner, 2nd Tactical Fighter Training Squadron, Tyndall Air Force Base, Fla.
9. November 1991 - January 1994, Air Combat Command F-15 demonstration pilot, F-15 Eagle West Coast Demonstration Team, 325th Fighter Wing, Tyndall Air Force Base, Fla.
10. January 1994 - June 1996, action officer, later, deputy director, Commander's Action Group, Headquarters Air Education and Training Command, Randolph Air Force Base, Texas
11. July 1996 - June 1997, student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
12. July 1997 - June 1998, student, Air Force School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
13. October 1998 – March 1999, assistant director of operations, 19th Fighter Squadron, 3rd Wing, Elmendorf Air Force Base, Alaska
14. April 1999 - March 2000, chief, standardization and evaluation division, 3rd Operations Group, 3rd Wing, Elmendorf Air Force Base, Alaska
15. April 2000 - February 2001, director of operations, 12th Fighter Squadron, 3rd Wing, Elmendorf Air Force Base, Alaska
16. March 2001 - May 2003, commander, 95th Fighter Squadron, 325th Fighter Wing, Tyndall Air Force Base, Fla.
17. June 2003 - May 2004, fellow, Army Advanced Operational Art Studies Fellowship, School of Advanced Military Studies, Fort Leavenworth, Kan.
18. June 2004 – June 2006, chief, strategy and policy division, assistant chief of staff, J5, United States Forces Korea, Yongsan Army Garrison, Republic of Korea
19. July 2006 – present, commander, Air Force Officer Training School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: Command Pilot

Flight hours: More than 2,900, including combat sorties over Iraq during Operation Southern Watch

Aircraft flown: F-15A/B/C/D, F-5E, AT-38B, T-38, T-37

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Superior Service Medal

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters

Aerial Achievement Medal

Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Combat Readiness Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Korea Defense Service Medal

ARTICLES

1998 *"Full Circle? The Transformation of Dedicated Adversary Air Training in the USAF,"* Air University, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

1999 *"Hurevac! The Combat Edge"* Air Combat Command, Langley Air Force Base, Va.

2004 *"The Future Role of Iraq in the Global War on Terrorism: Divining the Strategy,"* Combined Arms Research Library, Fort Leavenworth, Kan.

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant Jan. 29, 1982

First Lieutenant	Jan. 29, 1984
Captain	Jan. 29, 1986
Major	April 1, 1994
Lieutenant Colonel	Oct. 1, 1998
Colonel	Sep. 1, 2004

(Current as of July 2006)